THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 177.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH SEPTEMBER, 1966.

- 1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.-Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Sir John McLeay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. QUESTIONS.—Questions without notice were asked.
- 3. PAPERS.—The following papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General-

Australian Wool Board—Interim Annual Report for year 1965-66.

Snowy Mountains Hydro-electric Authority-Interim Annual Report for year 1965-66.

The following papers were presented, pursuant to statute-

Australian Institute of Aboriginal Studies Act—Council of the Australian Institute of Aboriginal Studies-Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1965-66.

Public Service Act—Public Service Board—Forty-second Annual Report on the Public Service, for year 1965-66.

Repatriation Act—Repatriation Commission—Report for year 1965-66.

4. LEGAL SERVICE BUREAUX-MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.-Mr. Snedden (Attorney-General), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to the nature of legal assistance which would be made available to national servicemen and members of the Permanent Forces and their dependants through the Legal Service Bureaux.

Mr. Whitlam, by leave, also made a statement with reference to the matter.

5. Message from the Senate.—A message from the Senate was reported returning the following Bill without amendment:-

13th September, 1966—Message No. 314—Trade Practices 1966.

6. APPROPRIATION BILL (No. 1) 1966-67.—The House, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

(In the committee.)

Second Schedule-

Proposed expenditures—

Department of the Treasury, \$425,582,000—Advance to the Treasurer, \$20,000,000—

together further debated and agreed to.

Proposed expenditure—Attorney-General's Department, \$10,526,000—debated.

Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.

Ordered—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said committee.

7. NATIONAL DEBT SINKING FUND BILL 1966.—Mr. McMahon (Treasurer), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act to make provision in relation to the Redemption of the National Debt.

Bill read a first time.

Mr. McMahon moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr. Crean), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

14th September, 1966.

8.	APPROPRIATION BILL (No. 1) 1966-67.—The House, according to order, again resolved itself into a com-
	mittee of the whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

(In the committee.)

Second Schedule-

Proposed expenditure—Attorney-General's Department, \$10,526,000—further debated and agreed to. Proposed expenditures—

Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization, \$28,720,000—

Department of National Development, \$31,168,000-

together debated.

Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Drury reported accordingly.

Ordered—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said committee.

9. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Fairbairn (Minister for National Development) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Several Members rising to address the House-

Ordinance).

Closure.—Mr. Fairbairn moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put and passed.

And the question—That the House do now adjourn—was put accordingly, and passed.

And then the House, at fifteen minutes to twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

PAPERS.—The following papers were deemed to have been presented on the 14th September, 1966, pursuant to statute—

Commonwealth Banks Act—Appointment Certificates—D. F. Aislabie, H. J. Nichols. Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Regulations—1966—No. 10 (Adoption of Children

Members Present.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Birrell, Mr. Brimble-combe*, Mr. Clark*, Mr. Davis*, Mr. G. D. Erwin, Mr. Falkinder, Mr. Fulton, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Hasluck, Mr. Holt, Mr. Johnson*, Mr. Kelly*, Mr. Maisey*, Mr. Minogue*, Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Riordan* and Mr. Swartz.

* On leave.

N. J. PARKES,

Acting Clerk of the House of Representatives.